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Report for the Year 1972

To the Chairman and Members of the District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have much pleasure in presenting the annual report of the state of the Public Health in the Rural District of Upton-upon-Severn for the year 1972.

The statistics indicate a generally satisfactory state of health in the District during the year under review. They compare favourably with those for England and Wales as a whole. The standardised death rate, for example, (8.7 per 1,000 population) is substantially below the figure for England and Wales (12.1). A glance at the table of "Deaths by Ages" will reveal the tendency for people in this District to live to a ripe old age. In fact, the majority of deaths occurred in the age group "75 years and over".

There was a slight increase in the estimated mid-year population (15,630 in 1972 compared with 15,490 in 1971), but there was a marked fall in the birth-rate, which reflects a national trend.

There were no epidemics during the year under review, and very few cases of infectious disease were notified.

In conclusion I should like to thank my predecessor, Dr. H. F. Green, for taking me on a series of "rural rides" which greatly increased my knowledge of the geography, the geology, and the people of the District.

I should also like to thank you, Mr. Chairman, and Members of the Council for extending a kind welcome to a newcomer to the District.

I acknowledge with thanks the assistance I have received from other officers of the Council, especially Mr. G. S. Wright, Chief Public Health Inspector, and Miss Janet Gore in the preparation of this report.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

D. E. THOMPSON.

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

| | | | | | | | | | |
|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----------|
| Area in acres | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 51,162 |
| Registrar General's estimate of resident population | | | | | | | | | |
| (i) Mid 1972 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 15,630 |
| (ii) Mid 1971 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 15,490 |
| Number of inhabited houses | | | | | | | | | |
| (i) End of 1972 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 5,890 |
| (ii) End of 1971 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 5,412 |
| Rateable value, 1st April, 1972 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | £471,644 |
| Sum represented by a 1p rate | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | £4,670 |

Population and Acreage by Parishes.

| Parishes | Acreage | Population 1961 Census | Population 1971 Census |
|-------------------|---------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Berrow | 2,207 | 295 | 236 |
| Birtsmorton | 1,291 | 240 | 235 |
| Bushley | 1,954 | 284 | 362 |
| Castlemorton | 3,701 | 645 | 553 |
| Croome D'Abitot | 1,178 | 99 | 116 |
| Earls Croome | 1,773 | 303 | 201 |
| Eldersfield | 4,412 | 505 | 526 |
| Guarlford | 1,553 | 278 | 267 |
| Hanley Castle | 4,427 | 1,290 | 1,262 |
| Hill Croome | 993 | 187 | 145 |
| Holdfast | 697 | 59 | 68 |
| Kempsey | 3,367 | 2,740 | 2,877 |
| Little Malvern | 719 | 65 | 72 |
| Longdon | 3,941 | 519 | 407 |
| Madresfield | 749 | 191 | 184 |
| Newland | 991 | 297 | 228 |
| Pendock | 1,130 | 219 | 216 |
| Powick | 5,124 | 1,478 | 3,160 |
| Queenhill | 688 | 68 | 75 |
| Ripple | 1,897 | 669 | 839 |
| Severn Stoke | 3,326 | 653 | 518 |
| Upton-upon-Severn | 3,156 | 3,175 | 2,057 |
| Welland | 1,888 | 840 | 709 |
| TOTALS | 51,162 | 15,099 | 15,285 |

VITAL STATISTICS

(1971 figures in brackets except where stated)

LIVE BIRTHS:

| | M | F | Total |
|--------------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| Legitimate | 90 (115) | 88 (110) | 178 (225) |
| Illegitimate | 11 (5) | 5 (5) | 16 (10) |
| Total | 101 (120) | 93 (115) | 194 (235) |

Live Birth Rate. (Per 1,000 population)

| | 1972 | 1971 | 1970 | England & Wales | |
|----------------------|------|------|------|-----------------|-------|
| | | | | 1972 | 1971 |
| Crude | 12.4 | 15.2 | 12.7 | 14.8 | 16.00 |
| Comparability factor | 1.12 | 1.17 | 1.17 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| Standardised | 13.9 | 17.8 | 14.9 | 14.8 | 16.0 |

Illegitimate Live Births. (Per cent of total live births)

8.0 (4.0)

Illegitimate Live Births. (Per 1,000 total live births)

82 (42)

Vital Statistics. (Cont.)

STILL BIRTHS:

| | <u>M</u> | <u>F</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--------------|----------|----------|--------------|
| Legitimate | - (1) | 1 (-) | 1 (1) |
| Illegitimate | - (-) | - (-) | - (-) |
| Total | - (1) | 1 (-) | 1 (1) |

Total Live and Still Births.

195 (236)

Still Birth Rate. (Per 1,000 live and still births)

| 1972 | 1971 | 1970 | England & Wales | |
|------|------|------|-----------------|------|
| | | | 1972 | 1971 |
| 5 | 4 | 5 | 12 | 12 |

DEATHS:

| <u>M</u> | <u>F</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|-----------|-----------|--------------|
| 109 (110) | 121 (111) | 230 (221) |

Vital Statistics. (Cont.)

Death Rate. (Per 1,000 population)

| | 1972 | 1971 | 1970 | England & Wales | |
|----------------------|------|------|------|-----------------|------|
| | | | | 1972 | 1971 |
| Crude | 14.7 | 14.3 | 16.6 | 12.1 | 11.6 |
| Comparability factor | .59 | .59 | .59 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| Standardised | 8.7 | 8.4 | 9.8 | 12.1 | 11.6 |

Major Causes of Deaths. (By percentages)

1. Diseases of the Circulatory System ... 46% (57%)
2. Respiratory Diseases ... 27% (18%)
3. Malignant Diseases (all forms) ... 13% (12%)
4. Cancer of the lung ... 3.5% (2.3%)

Deaths. (By ages)

| Age in Years | M | F | Total |
|--------------|-----|-----|-------|
| Under 1 | 4 | 2 | 6 |
| 1 - 14 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 15 - 24 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 25 - 34 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 35 - 44 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| 45 - 54 | 5 | 0 | 5 |
| 55 - 64 | 19 | 10 | 29 |
| 65 - 74 | 36 | 24 | 60 |
| 75 and over | 43 | 84 | 127 |
| Total | 109 | 121 | 230 |

Vital Statistics. (Cont.)

Maternal Deaths. (Including abortion)

Nil (Nil)

Maternal Mortality Rate. (Per 1,000 live and still births)

Nil (Nil)

Infant, Neonatal and Perinatal Deaths.

| | M | F | Total |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| <u>Infant Deaths</u> (Deaths under 1 year of age) | | | |
| Legitimate | 4 (-) | 2 (1) | 6 (1) |
| Illegitimate | - (-) | - (1) | - (1) |
| Total | <u>4 (-)</u> | <u>2 (2)</u> | <u>6 (2)</u> |
| <u>Neonatal Deaths</u> (Deaths under 4 weeks of age) | | | |
| Legitimate | 4 (-) | 2 (1) | 6 (1) |
| Illegitimate | - (-) | - (1) | - (1) |
| Total | <u>4 (-)</u> | <u>2 (2)</u> | <u>6 (2)</u> |
| <u>Early Neonatal Deaths</u> (Deaths under 1 week of age) | | | |
| Legitimate | 3 (-) | 2 (-) | 5 (-) |
| Illegitimate | - (-) | - (-) | - (-) |
| Total | <u>3 (-)</u> | <u>2 (-)</u> | <u>5 (-)</u> |
| <u>Perinatal Deaths</u> (Still births and deaths of infants under 1 week) | | | |
| Legitimate | 3 (1) | 3 (-) | 6 (1) |
| Illegitimate | - (-) | - (-) | - (-) |
| Total | <u>3 (1)</u> | <u>3 (-)</u> | <u>6 (1)</u> |

Vital Statistics. (Cont.)

INFANT, NEONATAL AND PERINATAL MORTALITY RATES.

| | 1972 | 1971 | 1970 | England & Wales | |
|---|------|------|------|-----------------|------|
| | | | | 1972 | 1971 |
| <u>Infant Mortality Rates</u> | | | | | |
| Deaths under 1 year per 1,000 live births | 31 | 4 | 10 | 17 | 18 |
| Deaths of legitimate infants under 1 year per 1,000 legitimate live births | 34 | 4 | 11 | 17 | 17 |
| Deaths of illegitimate infants under 1 year per 1,000 illegitimate live births | - | - | - | 21 | 24 |
| <u>Neonatal Mortality Rate</u> | | | | | |
| Deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 live births | 31 | 4 | - | 12 | 12 |
| <u>Perinatal Mortality Rate</u> | | | | | |
| Stillbirths and deaths under 1 week combined, per 1,000 total live and still births | 31 | 4 | 5 | 22 | 22 |

DEATHS

| | | |
|---------------------------|--------|-----|
| Total deaths | | 230 |
| Rate per 1,000 population | | 8·7 |

CAUSES OF DEATHS (All Ages)

| | Male | Female | Total |
|---|------|--------|-------|
| Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases | - | 1 | 1 |
| Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine | 2 | 5 | 7 |
| Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus | 7 | 1 | 8 |
| Malignant Neoplasm, Breast | - | 2 | 2 |
| Malignant Neoplasm, Prostate | 1 | - | 1 |
| Leukaemia | - | 2 | 2 |
| Other Malignant Neoplasms | 3 | 5 | 8 |
| Diabetes Mellitus | - | 1 | 1 |
| Other Endocrine etc. Diseases | 1 | - | 1 |
| Mental Disorders | - | 1 | 1 |
| Other Diseases of Nervous System | - | 1 | 1 |
| Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Hypertensive Disease | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Ischaemic Heart Disease | 24 | 19 | 43 |
| Other Forms of Heart Disease | 9 | 6 | 15 |
| Cerebrovascular Disease | 13 | 26 | 39 |
| Other Diseases of Circulatory System | 2 | 3 | 5 |
| Influenza | 1 | - | 1 |
| Pneumonia | 18 | 29 | 47 |
| Bronchitis and Emphysema | 9 | 4 | 13 |
| Other Diseases of Respiratory System | - | 2 | 2 |
| Peptic Ulcer | 2 | - | 2 |
| Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia | 1 | - | 1 |
| Cirrhosis of Liver | 1 | - | 1 |
| Other Diseases of Digestive System | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System | - | 1 | 1 |
| Congenital Anomalies | 1 | - | 1 |
| Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality | 4 | 2 | 6 |
| Symptoms and Ill Defined Conditions | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Motor Vehicle Accidents | 2 | - | 2 |
| All Other Accidents | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| All Other External Causes | - | 1 | 1 |

| | | | |
|------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Total All Causes | 109 | 121 | 230 |
|------------------|-----|-----|-----|

INFECTIOUS DISEASE

Table showing number of cases of Infectious Disease notified during the year:-

| | Total All Ages | Age Un- Known | 0-1 Years | 1-2 Years | 3-4 Years | 5-9 Years | 10-14 Years | 15-24 Years | Over 25 Years |
|------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|---------------------|
| Measles | 2 | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | - |
| Scarlet Fever | 3 | - | - | - | 1 | - | 2 | - | - |
| Infective Hepatitis | 3 | - | - | - | - | 1 | 2 | - | - |
| <u>TOTALS</u> | 8 | - | - | - | 2 | 2 | 4 | - | - |

Tuberculosis

At the end of 1972 the Tuberculosis register contained the names of 3 males and 1 female who normally reside in the district.

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION

| | 0-4 Years | 5-16 Years | Total |
|--|--------------|---------------|-------|
| Children who received a full course of primary immunisation | 3 | - | 3 |
| Children who received a re-inforcing injection | - | 53 | 53 |

MEASLES IMMUNISATION

| | 0-4 Years | 5-16 Years | Total |
|--|--------------|---------------|-------|
| Children who received a full course of primary immunisation | 13 | 4 | 17 |

POLIO IMMUNISATION

| | 0-4 Years | 5-16 Years | Total |
|--|--------------|---------------|-------|
| Children who received a full course of primary immunisation | 3 | - | 3 |
| Children who received a re-inforcing injection | - | 52 | 52 |

TETANUS IMMUNISATION

| | 0-4 Years | 5-16 Years | Total |
|--|--------------|---------------|-------|
| Children who received a full course of primary immunisation | 3 | - | 3 |
| Children who received a re-inforcing injection | - | - | - |

WHOOPING COUGH IMMUNISATION

| | 0-4 Years | 5-16 Years | Total |
|--|--------------|---------------|-------|
| Children who received a full course of primary immunisation | 3 | 54 | 57 |

SMALLPOX VACCINATION

| | Under 1 Year | 1-2 Years | 2-4 Years | 4-15 Years | Total |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|-------|
| Number of children receiving:- | | | | | |
| (i) primary vaccination | 1 | 8 | - | - | 9 |
| (ii) second vaccination | - | - | - | - | - |

RUBELLA VACCINATION

Number vaccinated (girls aged 11 - 14 years) = 30

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA

Laboratory Services

Chemical analysis is carried out by the County Analyst, County Laboratory, Worcester.

Bacteriological examination is carried out at the Public Health Laboratory, Worcester Royal Infirmary.

Clinics

There are none provided by this Authority.

The County Council have provided, by local arrangement with Voluntary Committees, for Infant Welfare Centres to be held in the following parishes:-

| | | |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|-----------|
| Hanley Swan | 3rd Tuesday in every month | 2.30.p.m. |
| Kempsey | 1st Thursday in every month | 2.00.p.m. |
| Longdon | 4th Tuesday in every month | 2.00.p.m. |
| Upton-upon-Severn | 1st and 3rd Tuesday in every month | 2.00.p.m. |
| Welland | 4th Friday in every month | 2.00.p.m. |

Clinics for Maternity and Eye cases are provided at Worcester and Malvern under arrangement made by the County Council.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

To the Chairman and Members of the District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting a report on the work of the Department for the year ended 31st December, 1972.

SUMMARY OF VISITS AND INSPECTIONS

| | |
|--|-----|
| <u>PUBLIC HEALTH ACT</u> - Complaints and revisits | 211 |
| Drainage inspections | 179 |
| Water supplies and sampling | 102 |
| Infectious disease | 22 |
| Clean air | 10 |
| Noise abatement | 27 |
| Miscellaneous public health | 129 |
| <u>HOUSING ACT</u> - Demolitions and Closures - inspections and revisits | 39 |
| Improvement grants | 352 |
| Work in progress | 419 |
| Drain tests | 36 |
| Housing - miscellaneous | 98 |
| Caravan sites | 50 |
| <u>FOOD AND DRUGS ACT</u> - Meat Inspection | 440 |
| Unsound food | 18 |
| Food poisoning | 15 |
| Food premises | 75 |
| Miscellaneous food visits | 12 |
| <u>OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT</u> - inspections | 50 |
| <u>AGRICULTURAL (SAFETY, HEALTH AND WELFARE) ACT</u> - inspections | 50 |
| <u>FACTORIES ACT</u> - inspections | 15 |
| <u>RODENT CONTROL</u> - inspections, treatments, and revisits | 309 |
| Other pests | 25 |
| <u>PETROLEUM REGULATIONS</u> - inspections and visits | 40 |
| <u>MORTUARY</u> | 10 |
| <u>NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT</u> | 12 |

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

Meat Inspection Regulations, 1963.

The routine work of ensuring safe meat supplies by the carrying out of a 100% meat inspection service has continued throughout the year.

The only slaughterhouse in the district is situated at Hanley Swan and deals with mainly good quality animals. Even so, it was necessary to condemn some 283 items of meat during the year. This meat inspection necessitated some 440 visits.

Charges for meat inspection are made as follows:-

Cattle - 18p each

Calves and pigs - 5p each

Sheep and lambs - 4p each

These are the maximum charges permitted by the Meat Inspection Regulations, 1963. Income from this source during the year amounted to £325.67.

Details of inspections carried out during the year are shown in the following table.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD (Cont.)

Meat Inspection Regulations, 1963. (Cont.)

CARCASES AND OFFAL INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED
IN WHOLE OR IN PART

| | Cattle Excluding Cows | Calves | Sheep and Lambs | Pigs |
|--|-----------------------------|--------|-----------------------|-------|
| Number killed | 601 | 11 | 3,100 | 2,140 |
| Number inspected | 601 | 11 | 3,100 | 2,140 |
| <u>All Diseases Except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci</u> | | | | |
| Whole carcasses condemned | - | 2 | 4 | 7 |
| Carcasses of which some organ or part was condemned | 66 | 2 | 73 | 100 |
| Percentage of number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis or cysticerci | 11% | 36.3% | 2.5% | 5% |
| <u>Cysticerci Only</u> | | | | |
| Whole carcasses condemned | - | - | - | - |
| Carcasses of which some organ or part was condemned | 2 | - | - | - |
| Carcasses detained in cold storage | 2 | - | - | - |
| Percentage of number inspected affected with cysticerci | 0.3% | - | - | - |
| <u>Tuberculosis Only</u> | | | | |
| Whole carcasses condemned | - | - | - | - |
| Carcasses of which some organ or part was condemned | - | - | - | 25 |
| Percentage of number inspected affected with tuberculosis | - | - | - | 1.2% |

FOOD PREMISES IN THE DISTRICT

| | |
|--|----|
| Butchers | 6 |
| Bakers | 4 |
| Fish (Wet and Fried) | 1 |
| Catering Establishments | 15 |
| Miscellaneous - Grocers, Confectioners, "General" Stores ... | 30 |
| Food Factories | 3 |
| Licensed Premises | 50 |
| Mobile Shops | 12 |

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955 - SECTION 16

| | |
|--|----|
| Premises registered for the storage and sale of pre-packed ice-cream | 66 |
| Premises registered for the manufacture of sausages pressed meat etc. | 8 |

MILK PRODUCERS : BRUCELLA ABORTUS

Notices in respect of milk from two farms in the district remain outstanding.

POULTRY-PROCESSING ESTABLISHMENTS

EGG PASTEURISATION PLANTS

There are no full-time poultry-processing establishments, or premises covered by the Liquid Egg (Pasteurisation) Regulations, operational in the district.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD (Cont.)

FOOD HYGIENE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1970

With the exception of minor infringements which have been drawn to the attention of the individuals concerned, the provisions of the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations have been, and are being observed.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

The following foods have been voluntarily surrendered as being unfit for human consumption:-

| | | |
|---|--------|---------|
| Cooked meat and meat products | | 192lbs. |
| Canned meats | | 110lbs. |
| Other canned foods | | 56lbs. |
| Frozen foods (due to cabinet breakdown) | | 224lbs. |
| Fish (fresh) | | 28lbs. |

In addition to these items the Department investigated several complaints, from the general public, of unsound food. These included such items as a screw found in a $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. pack of butter, and a slug found in a bottle of pasteurised milk. An interesting complaint was received concerning a pack of tea bags, which produced a vivid blue brew. This was found to be due to the presence of iron in the public water supply, which although not harmful to health, reacted with the tea bags to give rise to this distinctive colouration, much to the annoyance of the complainant.

WATER SUPPLIES

Responsibility for piped mains water supplies in the district is vested in the South West Worcestershire Water Board.

On several occasions during the year complaints were made to this Council regarding the discolouration of water supplies in the Upton area. Laboratory analysis showed this discolouration to be due to the presence of iron in the water, probably arising from rusting of the mains delivery pipes. These complaints were drawn to the attention of the Water Board.

During the year the Council continued its programme of water sampling. Emergency action was necessary on two occasions, the first when a well was discovered to be so badly polluted as to necessitate its immediate closure, and the second, where a private well completely dried up due to a lowering of the water table.

WATER SAMPLING

Public Mains Supplies.

| | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|---|
| Number of samples submitted for analysis | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 |
| Satisfactory | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 |
| Unsatisfactory | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | - |

Private Wells.

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| Number of samples submitted for analysis | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 34 |
| Satisfactory | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 |
| Unsatisfactory | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 31 |
| Number of wells cleansed and repaired | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 |
| Number of wells closed during year | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 10 |

SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL

The sewerage scheme for Welland was completed during the year.

REFUSE DISPOSAL

Refuse collection and disposal is carried out by direct labour and is under the control of the Council's Surveyor.

MORTUARY

Eight bodies were received in the Mortuary during the year - post mortems being carried out in four instances.

OVERCROWDING

No cases of overcrowding were discovered during the year.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948 - SECTION 47

Periodical visits are made to ensure that elderly people living alone are kept under observation, the facts being reported to the Medical Officer of Health if there appears to be need for action under this Section.

One order under Section 47 was made during the year.

PETROLEUM (CONSOLIDATION) ACT, 1928

Seventy-five premises were licensed under the Act at the commencement of 1972. During the year three new underground storage tanks were subjected to a pressure test whilst being installed.

NOISE ABATEMENT ACT, 1960

A number of sporadic noise nuisances were reported during the year. These included nuisances arising from such diverse sources as bleating sheep and model aircraft.

A number of complaints were received of nuisances arising from low-flying aircraft in the Welland vicinity. Although formal action on nuisances arising from this source is expressly excluded from the provisions of the Act, the Council were able to make representations to the appropriate Ministry.

UNFIT HOUSING

| | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|---|
| Number of Demolition Orders made | ... | ... | ... | ... | - |
| Number of Closing Orders made | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 |
| Number of premises demolished | ... | ... | ... | ... | - |
| Number of Demolition Orders revoked | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 |
| Number of Closing Orders determined | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 |
| Number of families rehoused | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 |

IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

| | Owner/ Occupiers | Tenanted |
|---|---------------------|----------|
| <u>(a) STANDARD</u> | | |
| 1. Number of applications received | 16 | 12 |
| Number of applications approved | 15 | 11 |
| Number of applications refused | - | - |
| Number of applications withdrawn | 1 | 2 |
| Number of applications cancelled | 1 | - |
| 2. Number of improved dwelling-units to be provided | 15 | 11 |
| 3. Total amount approved in grants = £8,796.00 | | |
| 4. Average grant per dwelling-unit = £338.00 | | |
| <u>(b) DISCRETIONARY</u> | | |
| 1. Number of applications received | 86 | 35 |
| Number of applications approved | 82 | 22 |
| Number of applications refused | - | - |
| Number of applications withdrawn | 4 | 4 |
| Number of applications cancelled | - | - |
| 2. Number of improved dwelling-units to be provided | 83 | 27 |
| 3. Total amount approved in grants = £74,098.00 | | |
| 4. Average grant per dwelling-unit = £673.00 | | |

ANIMAL BOARDING ESTABLISHMENTS ACT, 1963

Five premises were licensed under this Act at the commencement of the year. Routine inspections showed that the premises complied with the required standards.

RODENT CONTROL

| | Type of Property | |
|---|------------------|--------------|
| | Non-Agricultural | Agricultural |
| 1. (a) Total number of properties inspected following complaint | 138 | 18 |
| (b) Number infested by | | |
| (i) Rats | 118 | 15 |
| (ii) Mice | 20 | 3 |
| 2. (a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than complaint | 99 | 54 |
| (b) Number infested by | | |
| (i) Rats | 59 | 23 |
| (ii) Mice | 13 | 3 |
| 3. No sewer treatments were carried out during the year | | |

Disinfestation is carried out free of charge in respect of private residential dwellings, but a charge is made for treatments to farms and other business premises. The income from this source during the year amounted to £178.15.

REGISTRATION AND GENERAL INSPECTIONS

| Class of Premises | Number of Premises on Register at End of Year | Number of Registered Premises Receiving General Inspection During the Year |
|--|---|--|
| Offices | 11 | 6 |
| Retail Shops | 27 | 17 |
| Wholesale Shops, Warehouses | - | - |
| Catering Establishments open to the public, canteens | 18 | 8 |
| Fuel Storage Depots | 1 | - |
| TOTALS | 57 | 31 |

Number of visits made for the purposes of the Act:- 50

NUMBER OF PERSONS EMPLOYED IN REGISTERED PREMISES

| Class of Workplace | Number of Persons Employed |
|--|----------------------------|
| Offices | 45 |
| Retail Shops | 75 |
| Wholesale Departments, Warehouses | - |
| Catering Establishments open to the public | 85 |
| Canteens | 5 |
| Fuel Storage Depots | 16 |
| TOTALS | 226 |

ANALYSIS OF CONTRAVENTIONS

| Number of Contraventions Found | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| Cleanliness | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 |
| Overcrowding | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | - |
| Temperature | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 |
| Ventilation | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| Lighting | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 5 |
| Sanitary Conveniences | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 |
| Washing Facilities | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 |
| Supply of Drinking Water | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | - |
| Clothing Accommodation | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 |
| Sitting Facilities | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | - |
| Seats (Sedentary Workers) | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | - |
| Eating Facilities | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | - |
| Floors, Passages and Stairs | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 |
| Fencing Exposed Parts Machinery | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 |
| Protection of Young Persons from Dangerous Machinery | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | - |
| Training of Young Persons Working at Dangerous Machinery | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | - |
| Prohibition of Heavy Work | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | - |
| First Aid General Provisions | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 |
| Other Matters | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| TOTAL | | | | | | | | | | | 28 |

Reported Accidents:- No accidents were reported during the year.

PREScribed PARTICULARS OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE FACTORIES ACT, 1961

INSPECTIONS for the purposes of provisions as to health
(including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

| | Number on Register | Number of | | |
|--|--------------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | | Inspections | Written Notices | Occupiers Prosecuted |
| 1. Factories in which Section 3, 4 & 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities | 12 | 4 | - | - |
| 2. Factories not included in (1) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority | 42 | 12 | - | - |
| 3. Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers) | - | - | - | - |
| TOTALS | 54 | 16 | - | - |

CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS were found

| | Number of cases in which defects were found | | | No. of cases in which Prosecutions were instituted |
|---|---|----------|-------------|--|
| | Found | Remedied | Referred | |
| | | | to H.M.I.F. | |
| Want of cleanliness (S.1) | 3 | 3 | - | - |
| Overcrowding (S.2) | - | - | - | - |
| Unreasonable temperature (S.3) | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| Inadequate ventilation (S.4) | - | - | - | - |
| Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6) | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| Sanitary conveniences (S.7) | | | | |
| (a) Insufficient | - | - | - | - |
| (b) Unsuitable or defective | - | - | - | - |
| (c) Not separate for sexes | - | - | - | - |
| Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork) | - | - | - | - |
| TOTALS | 5 | 5 | - | - |

PART VIII of the Act - OUTWORK (Sections 133 and 134)

Three outworkers were in operation in the area during the period.

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